

**U.S. District Court**  
**District of Columbia (Washington, DC)**  
**CIVIL DOCKET FOR CASE #: 1:18-cv-02575-TJK**

CONNECTICUT RIVER WATERSHED COUNCIL, INC. v.  
 U.S. FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION  
 Assigned to: Judge Timothy J. Kelly  
 Cause: 05:552 Freedom of Information Act

Date Filed: 11/08/2018  
 Jury Demand: None  
 Nature of Suit: 895 Freedom of  
 Information Act  
 Jurisdiction: U.S. Government Defendant

**Plaintiff**

**CONNECTICUT RIVER  
 WATERSHED COUNCIL, INC.**  
*doing business as*  
 CONNECTICUT RIVER  
 CONSERVANCY

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**Defendant**

**U.S. FEDERAL ENERGY  
 REGULATORY COMMISSION**

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Date Filed	#	Docket Text
11/08/2018	<u>1</u>	COMPLAINT against U.S. FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION ( Filing fee \$ 400 receipt number 0090-5782650) filed by CONNECTICUT RIVER WATERSHED COUNCIL, INC. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Exhibit Ex A – FOIA Request, # <u>2</u> Exhibit Ex B – Extension Letter, # <u>3</u> Exhibit Ex C – Partial Denial, # <u>4</u> Civil Cover Sheet, # <u>5</u> Summons, # <u>6</u> Summons, # <u>7</u> Summons)(Dinerstein, Paula) Modified on 11/9/2018 (zef, ). (Entered: 11/08/2018)
11/08/2018	<u>2</u>	LCvR 26.1 CERTIFICATE OF DISCLOSURE of Corporate Affiliations and Financial Interests by CONNECTICUT RIVER WATERSHED COUNCIL, INC. (Dinerstein, Paula) Modified event title on 11/28/2018 (znmw). (Entered: 11/08/2018)

11/08/2018	<u>3</u>	MOTION for Leave to Appear Pro Hac Vice :Attorney Name– Ronald Albert Shems, :Firm– Diamond & Robinson, P.C., :Address– 15 East State Street Montpelier, VT 05601–1460. Phone No. – 802–223–6182. Fax No. – 802–229–4457 Filing fee \$ 100, receipt number 0090–5782732. Fee Status: Fee Paid. by CONNECTICUT RIVER WATERSHED COUNCIL, INC. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Declaration Declaration of Ronald Shems)(Dinerstein, Paula) Modified on 11/9/2018 (zef, ). (Entered: 11/08/2018)
11/08/2018		Case Assigned to Judge Timothy J. Kelly. (zef, ) (Entered: 11/27/2018)
11/27/2018	<u>4</u>	SUMMONS (3) Issued Electronically as to All Defendants, U.S. Attorney and U.S. Attorney General (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Notice and Consent)(zef, ) (Entered: 11/27/2018)
12/21/2018		MINUTE ORDER granting Plaintiff's <u>3</u> Motion for Leave to Appear Pro Hac Vice. Attorney Ronald A. Shems is hereby admitted pro hac vice in this matter. Signed by Judge Timothy J. Kelly on 12/21/2018. (lctjk1) (Entered: 12/21/2018)
12/31/2018	<u>5</u>	Consent MOTION to Stay , MOTION for Extension of Time to <i>in Light of Lapse of Appropriations</i> by U.S. FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Text of Proposed Order)(Hudak, Brian) (Entered: 12/31/2018)
01/22/2019		MINUTE ORDER granting Defendant's <u>5</u> Consent Motion to Stay. This case shall be stayed until further order of the Court. It is further ORDERED that the parties shall file a joint status report within seven days after funding is restored for the Department of Justice. Signed by Judge Timothy J. Kelly on 1/22/2019. (lctjk1) (Entered: 01/22/2019)
01/28/2019	<u>6</u>	NOTICE of Appearance by Marsha Wellknown Yee on behalf of U.S. FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION (Yee, Marsha) (Entered: 01/28/2019)
02/01/2019	<u>7</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by U.S. FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION. (Yee, Marsha) (Entered: 02/01/2019)
02/01/2019		MINUTE ORDER: In light of the parties' <u>7</u> Joint Status Report, it is hereby ORDERED that Defendant shall respond to Plaintiff's <u>1</u> Complaint by February 5, 2019. It is further ORDERED that, after Defendant files its response, the parties shall meet, confer, and file a joint proposed schedule for briefing or disclosure by March 22, 2019. It is further ORDERED that the stay in this case is LIFTED. Signed by Judge Timothy J. Kelly on 2/1/2019. (lctjk1) (Entered: 02/01/2019)
02/05/2019	<u>8</u>	ANSWER to Complaint by U.S. FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION.(Yee, Marsha) (Entered: 02/05/2019)
03/22/2019	<u>9</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by U.S. FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION. (Yee, Marsha) (Entered: 03/22/2019)
03/25/2019		MINUTE ORDER: In light of the parties' <u>9</u> Joint Status Report, it is hereby ORDERED that the parties shall file a further joint status report by April 9, 2019. Signed by Judge Timothy J. Kelly on 3/25/2019. (lctjk1) (Entered: 03/25/2019)
04/09/2019	<u>10</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by U.S. FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION. (Yee, Marsha) (Entered: 04/09/2019)
04/10/2019		MINUTE ORDER: In light of the parties' <u>10</u> Joint Status Report, it is hereby ORDERED that the parties shall file a further joint status report by May 15, 2019. Signed by Judge Timothy J. Kelly on 4/10/2019. (lctjk1) (Entered: 04/10/2019)
05/15/2019	<u>11</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by U.S. FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION. (Yee, Marsha) (Entered: 05/15/2019)
05/15/2019		MINUTE ORDER: Upon consideration of the parties' <u>11</u> Joint Status Report, it is hereby ORDERED that the parties shall file a further status report by June 25, 2019, advising the Court of their progress toward finalizing a settlement, unless a stipulation of dismissal pursuant to FRCP 41(a)(1)(A)(ii) is filed before then. Signed by Judge Timothy J. Kelly on 5/15/2019. (lctjk1) (Entered: 05/15/2019)
06/25/2019	<u>12</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by U.S. FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION. (Yee, Marsha) (Entered: 06/25/2019)

06/26/2019		MINUTE ORDER: Upon consideration of the parties' <u>12</u> Joint Status Report, it is hereby ORDERED that the parties shall file a further status report by July 30, 2019, advising the Court of their progress toward finalizing a settlement, unless a stipulation of dismissal pursuant to FRCP 41(a)(1)(A)(ii) is filed before then. Signed by Judge Timothy J. Kelly on 6/26/2019. (lctjk1) (Entered: 06/26/2019)
06/26/2019		Set/Reset Deadlines: Joint Status Report due by 7/30/2019. (kh) (Entered: 06/26/2019)
07/30/2019	<u>13</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by U.S. FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION. (Yee, Marsha) (Entered: 07/30/2019)